THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Board considered the draft interim plan for the development of the National Capital Region apart from some procedural matters. The discussion was inconclusive and it was decided to continue the same in the next meeting.

(c) Rs. 35 crores are earmarked under the Urban Development Head for National Capital Region schemes in the Seventh plan. The question of provision of additional funds is under examination.

Oilseed production

632. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:
SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target of oilseed production in 1985-86 and to what extent it has been achieved; and

(b) the manner in which Government propose to make up the shortfall?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) As against a target of 136 lakh tonnes of oilseeds set for 1985-86, the production is estimated at around 116 lakh tonnes, as per provisional estimates available from the States. The shortfall has been primarily due to failure of kharif groundnut in Saurashtra and other parts of the country due to severe drought conditions prevailing in 1985 kharif season.

(b) The Government have been arranging adequate imports of edible oils to bridge the gap between domestic demand and supply of edible oils.

Sales turn-over of integrated Fisheries Project, Cochin

633. SHRI K. GOPALAN:
SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) how much fish did the Integrated Fisheries Project at Cochin sell to the public during the last three years;

(b) whether any complaints have been brought to the notice of Government in the past about the sale;

(c) whether any enquiry has been ordered into the matter in the past, if so, the details of the action taken; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) During the last three years the Integrated Fisheries Project at Cochin sold to the public 849 tonnes of fish and fish products.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) and (d) Do not arise.

Small and medium newspapers

634. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY:
SHRI K. GOPALAN:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state what steps are being taken by Government to help small and medium newspapers in the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI V. N. GADGIL): A statement (See Appendix CXXXIX Annexure No. 64]